AGENDA

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH AND TRAFFIC

September 4, 2007 Aldermen Osborne O'Neil, Shea, Roy, Long 4:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers City Hall (3rd Floor)

- 1. Chairman Osborne calls the meeting to order.
- 2. The Clerk calls the roll.
- 3. Update from the Public Health Director.
- 4. Update from representatives of the Police Department.
- 5. Update from representatives of the Fire Department.
- 6. Proposed street renaming of a portion of Cedar and Willow Streets to Harry Theo Lane.

Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

7. Ordinance amendments relating to dogs (dog fouling penalties, prohibition for dogs in special use areas and penalties for violations).

Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

- 8. Ordinance amendment relating to restrictions on registered sex offenders. Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?
- 9. Communication from Gregory Barrett, Kas-Bar Realty organizer and resident of HiDi, requesting the closure of West Merrimack Street from Canal Street east to 65 West Merrimack Street from 9 AM till 5 PM on Saturday, September 8th.

Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

10. Communication from Jan Ramos expressing her concerns regarding safety in and around Sheridan Emmet Park.

Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

11. Communication from Jim Hoben, Deputy Traffic Director, seeking clarification from the City Solicitor regarding any liability issues associated with placement of nonstandard MUTCD signage and seeking the committee's direction in the installation of such signage.

Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

- 12. Communication from Brandy Stanley, Parking Manager, on behalf of the Police Department, requesting the issuance of parking permits to volunteers working at the police station to be used at 10-hour meters free of charge.
- 13. Chairman Osborne advises that the Parking Manager has submitted an agenda, which needs to be addressed as follows:

RESCIND PARKING REGULATIONS AS DESIGNATED IN MILLYARD

PERMIT PARKING ONLY 8AM TO 8 PM:

On Commercial Street, east side, from a point 50 feet north of Stark Street to a point 330 feet north of Spring Street

PERMIT PARKING ONLY:

On Arms Street, east side, from Stark Street to 170 feet south of Commercial Street

ADD PARKING REGULATIONS IN MILLYARD

15-MINUTE PARKING (8AM-8PM FROM APRIL TO OCTOBER PERMIT PARKING ONLY 8AM-8PM FROM NOVEMBER TO MARCH):

On Commercial Street, east side, from a point 26 feet north of Stark Street to a point 46 feet northerly

PERMIT PARKING ONLY (8AM TO 8 PM):

On Commercial Street, east side, from a point 46 feet north of Stark Street to a point 330 feet north of Spring Street

On Arms Street, east side, from Stark Street to a point 80 feet northerly On Arms Street, east side, from a point 145 feet north of Stark Street to a point 170 feet south of Commercial Street

NO PARKING LOADING ZONE:

On Arms Street, east side, from a point 127 feet north of Stark Street to a point 145 feet northerly

Ladies and Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

14. Chairman Osborne advises that the Traffic Division has submitted an agenda, which needs to be addressed as follows:

CROSSWALKS:

On Edward J. Roy Drive, south of Stone Terrace Condominium Driveway (245 Edward J. Roy Drive)
Alderman Gatsas

On Tarrytown Road, north of Spruce Street Alderman Osborne

On Young Street, west of Cypress Street Alderman Shea

3-WAY STOP SIGNS:

On Lacourse Street at Rhode Island Avenue, NEC On New York Street at Rhode Island Avenue, SWC

RESCIND STOP SIGNS (EMERGENCY ORDINANCE):

On Thomas Street at Kevin Street, SEC, NWC Alderman Garrity

30-MINUTE PARKING (7AM – 11 PM):

On Union Street, west side, from Lake Avenue to Lake Avenue, South Back Street Alderman Long

COMPACT VEHICLE PARKING ONLY:

On Massabesic Street, north side, from a point 33 feet east of Belmont Street to a point 17 feet east (1 space)

Alderman Osborne

NO PARKING ANYTIME:

On W. Rosemont Avenue, south side, from a point 532 feet east of Brown Avenue to a point 35 feet east

Alderman Garrity

On Cedar Street, south side, from Wilson Street to a point 120 feet west
On Massabesic Street, north side, from a point 50 feet east of Belmont Street to a
point 125 feet east

Alderman Osborne

NO PARKING DURING SCHOOL HOURS:

On Fernand Street, south side, from South Porter Street to Rockwell Street Alderman DeVries

NO PARKING – TOW ZONE:

On Elm Street, east side, from Central Street, to a point 17.5 feet northerly On Elm Street, west side, from Pleasant Street to a point 165 feet southerly Alderman Long

NO THROUGH TRUCKS:

On Front Street from the I-293 On-Ramp to Goffstown Road, southbound Alderman Forest

RESCIND 1-HOUR PARKING (8 AM – 6 PM):

On Chestnut Street, west side, from Myrtle Street to Myrtle South Back Street (ORD. 6402)

Alderman Long

RESCIND 1-HOUR PARKING:

On Dutton Street, east side, from Concord Street to a point 50 feet southerly (ORD. 2936)

Alderman Duval

RESCIND 2-HOUR PARKING:

On Myrtle Street, north side, from Chestnut Street to Pine Street (ORD. 3917) Alderman Long

RESCIND NO PARKING ANYTIME:

On Cedar Street, south side, from Canton Street to a point 150 feet east (ORD. 8359)

On Cedar Street, north side, from Canton Street to a point 80 feet (ORD, 7947)

On Cedar Street, south side, from Wilson Street to a point 180 feet west (ORD. 7624)

On Massabesic Street, north side, from Belmont Street to a point 175 feet east (ORD. Number not yet assigned)

Alderman Osborne

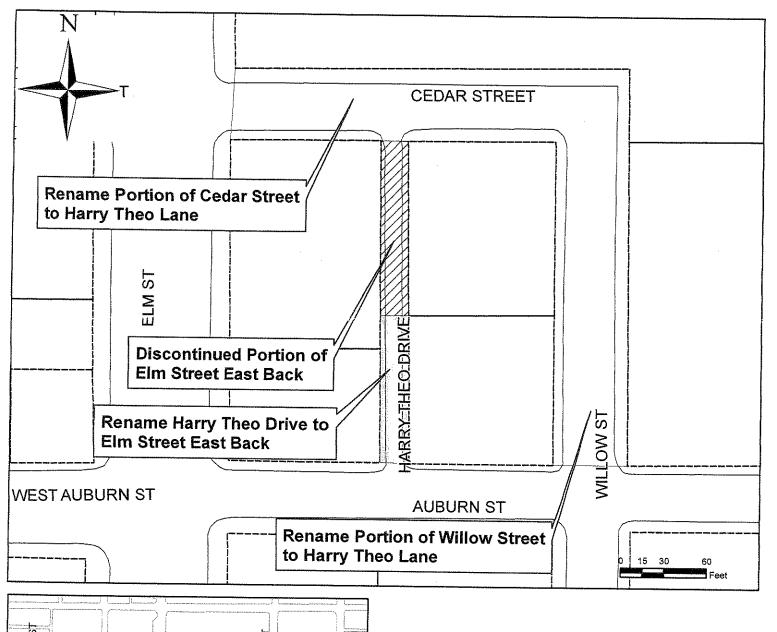
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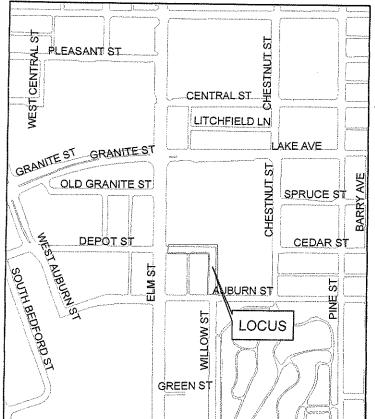
TABLED ITEMS

A motion is in order to remove any of the following items from the table for discussion.

- 15. Communication from Alderman Shea proposing the establishment of a Manchester Crime Prevention Committee. (*Tabled 12/12/2006*)
- 16. E-mail communication from Jennifer Drakoulakos expressing her concerns regarding traffic flow and parking problem on A Street. (*Tabled 04/17/2007*)
- 17. Communication from Deputy Chief Lussier submitting information relating to tasers and responding to questions raised regarding the department's priorities.

 (Tabled 07/10/2007)
- 18. If there is no further business, a motion is in order to adjourn.





Proposed Street Renaming

A Portion of Cedar Street and Willow Street
To Harry Theo Lane



Manchester, NH August 9, 2007



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August 29, 2007

Committee on Public Safety c/o City Clerk One City Hall Plaza Manchester, NH 03101

Re: Dog Fouling Ordinance

Dear Committee Members:

As requested by Alderman Osborne, I am forwarding a revision of the dog fouling penalties for the committee's consideration.

Very truly yours,

Thomas R. Clark

City Solicitor

TRC/hr Enclosure An Ordinance amending the Ordinances of the City of Manchester by amending section 38.06 by deleting the fines related to Code Section 90.04 and replacing them with the following new fines:

Code Section	First Offense	Second Offense	Third Offense
90.04	\$100.	\$200.	Court Appearance



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August 29, 2007

Committee on Public Safety c/o City Clerk One City Hall Plaza Manchester, NH 03101

Re: Dog Ordinances

Dear Committee Members:

As requested by the Committee at its last meeting, I am forwarding two draft ordinances for the Committee's review and discussion. The first updates the current ordinance language and sets a prohibition for dogs in special use areas and the second establishes a penalty for violations of the special use area provision.

Very truly yours,

Thomas R. Clark

City Solicitor

TRC/hr Enclosure

cc: Dep. Marc Lussier

An Ordinance amending the Ordinances of the City of Manchester by deleting sections 90.01, 90.13, 90.16 and 90.18 and replacing them with the following new sections 90.01, 90.13, 90.16 and 90.18

90.01 ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER.

For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this chapter, the position of Animal Control Officer is hereby established within the Manchester Police Department.

90.13 DOGS PROHIBITED ON SPECIAL USES PROPERTIES.

- (A) No owner or keeper of any dog shall permit such dog, whether licensed or unlicensed, leashed or unleashed, to be on property designated for special use by the Parks, Recreation and Cemeteries Director.
- (B) Special use areas shall include but not be limited to athletic playing fields, running tracks and cemeteries. All such designated special use areas shall be posted.

90.16 NOTICE.

Reasonable efforts shall be made by the Police Department to notify the owner, if known, of an impounded dog.

90.18 DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED DOGS.

Any dog which had been impounded by the Police Department and has not been redeemed by the owner shall be turned over to the Friends of the Manchester Animal Shelter for disposition by adoption or other appropriate manner; provided, that any such dog shall be held for at least seven (7) days after impounding, and in these cases where notice has been given to the owner, the dog shall be held for at least four (4) days after the notice has been given.

An Ordinance amending the Ordinances of the City of Manchester by Amending section 38.06 by adding a new reference to code section 90.13 as follows:

Code Section First Offense Second Offense Third Offense

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August 29, 2007

Committee on Public Safety c/o City Clerk One City Hall Plaza Manchester, NH 03101

Re: Draft Ordinance

Dear Committee Members:

As requested by Alderman Roy at the last Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting, I am enclosing a draft of an ordinance relating to restrictions on registered sex offenders for discussion before the committee.

Very truly yours,

Thomas R. Clark City Solicitor

TRC/hr Enclosure

cc: Ald. Mark Roy



DRAFT

Restrictions on Registered Sex Offenders

A. Definitions.

- 1. <u>Registered Sex Offenders</u> shall mean any person who has been convicted of a crime and is required to register pursuant to the provisions of RSA Chapter 651-B.
- 2. <u>School</u> shall mean any public or private educational facility that provides services to children from preschool grades through grade 12.
- 3. <u>Day Care Center</u> shall mean a duly licensed facility that provides care to children up to age _____.
- 4. Park or Playground shall mean any park, playground, beach, recreation center, or any other area in the city, owned or used by the city, and devoted to active or passive recreation.
- 5. <u>Premises</u> shall mean the building structure or cartilage surrounding the building, playground area or playing fields, or courts.
- 6. Radius shall mean the distance measured from the outer property lines.

B. Restrictions.

- 1. Any person who is a registered sex offender shall not reside within a ______ foot radius of the property line of a school, day care center, park, playground or a library.
- 2. Any person who is a registered sex offender is prohibited from entering upon the premises of a school or day care center unless specifically authorized by the school administration or day care owner.
- C. Exceptions; This section shall not apply to the following:
 - 1. Any person who is incarcerated at a state or county correctional facility or a juvenile facility, or who is involuntarily committed to any such facility.
 - 2. Any person who has established a residence prior to the effective date of this ordinance.
 - 3. Any person who is a minor or ward under guardianship.



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1. Any person found in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not less then \$_____ for the first offense, and a fine of not less then \$_____ for any subsequent offense.



IN BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERNAM

DATE: August 7, 2007

ON MOTION OF ALD.

Osborne

SECONDED BY ALD.

Duval

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Traffic.

August 1, 2007

Board of Mayor and Aldermen 1 City Hall Plaza Manchester, NH 03101

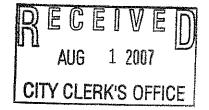
Dear Board of Mayor and Aldermen,

Several cities and towns have adopted this ordinance and I think it's about time as one police chief said if it saves one child the ordinance is worth it.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Leo Pepino



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Sex-offender law has ities for landior

◆In Boscawen: Measure passed with no members of the public attending.

BOSCAWEN (AP) — A debate is developing over how the town approved restrictions on where sex offenders can live.

The ordinance went into effect after a public hearing on July 2 that was attended by no members of the general public.

Town officials posted notice of the hearing beforehand, but said they did not publicize passage of the new ordinance until they notified affected residents. It prohibits sex offenders from living near places where children gather, including schools, playgrounds, child care centers, churches and libraries.

"We don't feel we've done anything against what the pulse of the town would be," said selectmen Chairman Ed Maloof.

Unlike restrictions in other towns, Boscawen's ordinance before the July 4 holiday, when would fine landlords or Realtors" who lease or sell living spaces to sex offenders, Interim Police Chief Sean Sweeney said.

According to the minutes, one resident - who is the town's planning and zoning secretary - attended the hearing, along with the three selectmen, the police chief, the town administrator and the secretary.

Franklin, Tilton and Northfield passed similar ordinances lar town proposal after residents this spring. Sweeney said he called selectmen to object. was concerned that sex offend-

ers whose housing options were limited in those towns might have moved to Boscawen stead.

Claire Ebel, director of the New Hampshire Civil Liberties Union, said the hearing should have been widely publicized beforehand. She

said she was concerned residents did not have a chance to provide adequate comment at the hearing, which was two days many people were on vacation.

Ebel said the new restrictions virtually exclude convicted sex offenders from each town that has passed such a regulation. Sweeney said it's possible Boscawen's ordinance will cause sex offenders to look elsewhere to live.

Such rules were controversial in Sanbornton, where officials decided last week to table a simi-

New Hampshire's right-

to-know law requires town officials to inform residents of public hearings by posting a notice in a public place. but Ebel said town officials should have gone a step further.

Landlords and motel owners received letters last week with copies

of the new ordinance, and Sweeney said he visited several other rental properties and boardinghouses to make sure people know about the change.

"I'd much rather (pass the ordinance) and hear the negative (feedback) than have to hear from someone coming in who was the victim of a heinous crime," Sweeney said.

Unlike restrictions in other towns. Boscawen's ordinance would fine landlords or Realtors who lease or sell living spaces to sex offenders.

DOVER CODE

OFFENSES CHAPTER 131

131-1.	Loitering and obstruction.
131-2.	Benches.
131-3.	Prohibited weapons.
131-3.1.	Safe Storage of Firearms.
131-4.	Fishing in restricted areas.
131-5.	Identification of certain workers.
131-6.	Consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages.
131-7.	Park hours.
131-8.	Consumption, sale and dispensing of alcoholic beverages in city-owned buildings.
131-9.	Motor vehicles on school property and park grounds.
131-10.	Private property rights.
131-11.	Public peace.
131-12.	Interference with law enforcement officers.
131-13.	Keeping controlled drugs.
131-13.1	Fireworks.
131-13.2	Operation of boats and vehicles on Willand Pond restricted.
131-14.	Violations and penalties.
131-15.	Sale of rolling papers to minors.
131-16.	School Truancy.
131-17.	Facilitation of a Drug of Underage Alcohol Party.
131-18.	Use of tobacco products in Henry Law Skate Park
131-19.	Use of tobacco products on the grounds of the McConnell Center
131-20.	Registered Sex Offender Restrictions

[HISTORY: Adopted by the City Council of the City of Dover 10-28-81 as Ord. No. 7-81. Amendments noted where applicable.]



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131-20. Registered Sex Offender Restrictions. [Added 10-19-05 by Ord. No. 18-2005]

A. Definitions.

- 1. Registered Sex Offender This Chapter shall only apply to offenders who have been convicted of the crime against a person under the age of 18 and as a result, is required to register for life pursuant to RSA 651-B:6 I. [Amended 01-17-2007 by Ord. No. 15-2006]
- 2. School/Day Care Any public or private educational facility that provides services to children in grades K-12 or licensed day care facility that is clearly marked.
- 3. Premises Shall mean the building structure or curtilage surrounding the building, playground area or playing field, or courts.
- 4. Radius Distance shall be measured from the outer property lines.

B. Restrictions

- 1. Any person who is a convicted sex offender involving a minor, and is required to register for life, shall not reside within a 2500 foot radius of the property line of a school or day care center.
- 2. Any person who is a convicted sex offender involving a minor, and is required to register for life, is prohibited from entering upon the premises of a school or day care center, unless specifically authorized by the school administration or day care center owner.

C. Exceptions.

A registered sex offender residing within 2500 feet of a school or day care is not in violation if the residency was established prior to the date of passage.

D. Penalties

Any person violating the provisions of this Chapter shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$500 for the first offense, and \$1000 for any subsequent offense.



New England News

Statistics: most sex offenders know victims

CONCORD, N.H. -- New Hampshire authorities say recent ordinances to prohibit sex offenders from living near schools and parks probably won't stop most assaults against children.

Boscawen, Franklin, Tilton and Northfield have recently adopted ordinances prohibiting sex offenders from living near gathering places for children. Dover adopted regulations two years ago.

But authorities say most sex offenders know their victims.

Authorities note that of the 19 people indicted in Merrimack County for sexually assaulting a juvenile in the last year, all knew the victim. The child was a relative, lived nearby or was the friend of the family. None is charged with assaulting a child met at a school, park or library.

"We have rapists that jump out of the bushes, but that is rare," said Allenstown Police Chief Shaun Mulholland. "The vast majority of offenses are committed on people (offenders) know. I don't think this is the solution to the problem. I don't see any redeeming value in this."

But Tilton police Capt. Owen Wellington disagrees.

"It's an ounce of prevention toward people's awareness and their ability to feel safe in their community," he said.

Boscawen's interim Police Chief Sean Sweeney sees even more value in the ordinance.

"If only one child is protected from this ordinance, then the ordinance has served its purpose," he said.

Claire Ebel of the New Hampshire Civil Liberties Union said a group of lawyers is studying the ordinances. She said they are particularly concerned with the Boscawen ordinance because it not only places housing restrictions on sex offenders but also on where in town the person can go. The person must receive advance permission to go to the library, she noted.

"This is just a preposterous, ostrich-like approach to what is a very complex societal issue," she said.

Rather than make pariahs out of the offenders, parents could better protect children by having frank discussions with them about inappropriate touching, she said.

Some also fear the ordinances will give parents a false sense of security.

"What it does, to some extent, is give some assurances -- however legitimate -- to people living where the restrictions are imposed," said Concord city prosecutor Scott Murray. "You know you won't have a sex offender living next door. But it certainly does not guarantee that you are not going to have kids who are getting molested."

Concord's acting police chief, Robert Barry, said city police would face a tougher time than towns enforcing an ordinance because schools are spread through the city. Also, counseling and treatment centers that offenders need are downtown near schools, parks and daycare centers.



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Barry believes Concord could provide a better service by more closely monitoring whether the offenders register their new addresses when they move.

State Rep. John Tholl, the police chief in Dalton, said he's concerned that offenders will stop registering if society makes it too hard for them to find housing.

"I think it's more important to know where these people live than to tell them they can't live somewhere," said Tholl.

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Article published Jul 10, 2007

Sanbornton may restrict where sex offenders live Town would be fourth in area with ordinance

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By WALTER ALARKON Monitor staff

Jul 10, 2007

S anbornton's selectmen are considering whether to make their town the fifth New Hampshire community to adopt an ordinance restricting where sex offenders can live.

In the past few months, three neighboring communities - Tilton, Northfield and Franklin - have passed ordinances prohibiting registered sex offenders from living 2,500 feet within a school, daycare center, park and other public places where children gather. The ordinances also bar offenders from entering those areas unless they had permission from administrators. Violators of the ordinances are required to pay fines.

<u>Dover, in 2005, became the first New Hampshire community to restrict where sex offenders can live.</u>

At the request of Selectman David Nickerson, Sanbornton Police Chief Mark Barton drafted an ordinance and presented it to the selectmen last week. It mirrors those passed in the three nearby communities. Before the selectmen decide on it, they must hold a public hearing. Nickerson said they plan to discuss a date for the hearing at their meeting tomorrow night.

Nickerson said several parents who had read reports of sex crimes against children and the ordinances in other communities told him to look into the measure.

"We don't have a big center of town, but we do have the library and school there, and parents were hoping there'd be some sense of protection," said Nickerson, who was elected to the board of selectmen this year.

Barton said town officials will take into account concerns with the ordinances. Tilton, Franklin and Northfield all passed their ordinances with little opposition. The most vocal opponent, the New Hampshire Civil Liberties Union, has argued that the restrictions aren't effective because they don't target the people who are most likely to offend; nine in 10 sex crimes are committed by people who knew the victims, such as relatives or friends of relatives, according to the U.S. Department of Justice.

"It's virtually useless to pass these ordinances if they think it's going to solve a social problem. It's not," said Barbara Keshen, an attorney with the New Hampshire Civil Liberties Union.

Andrew Livernois, the chairman of the board of selectmen, said it's too early to say whether he'll support an ordinance.

"Given the rural nature of the community, and given that there aren't many public playgrounds, schools, day-care centers . . . I don't think this ordinance would affect that many people," he said.

Sanbornton is more sparsely populated than the three nearby communities with the restrictions. It has 54 people per square mile. Franklin and Tilton both have more than 300 people per square mile, and Northfield has about 158 people per square mile.

One of the two registered sex offenders living in Sanbornton called the proposed ordinance "disturbing." Nathan Huber, convicted of a felonious sexual assault for having consensual sex with a 15-year-old girl two months after he turned 18, said that the ordinance would treat him the same as other people convicted of other sex crimes, such as the rape of a child younger than 13.

"I don't have children, but if I did I wouldn't be able to go to their events or watch them perform and not make it into a big deal," said Huber, now 32 and a self-employed heating and plumbing specialist. "There's a part of me that understands people wanting to protect their children. But because they don't differentiate between sex offenders, they're all sort of grouped into the same category where the problem exists."

Huber said his record has been clean since he spent 30 days in jail for the sex crime conviction. Despite that, he must register his home address every year with the Sanbornton Police. His residence - within a mile of the Sant Bani School - is also listed on the sex offender registry on the state Department of Safety's website. If the town adopts the proposed sex offender ordinance, he and other sex offenders who live in restricted areas would be allowed to remain. But he wouldn't be allowed to move elsewhere and then return.

His mother, Cynthia Huber, plans to start a petition asking state legislators to reassess laws that require people convicted of statutory rape to enter the same registry as people who have been convicted of other sex crimes. She said she's also considering a legal challenge against the sex offender ordinances.

"It discriminates against genuine people in the community who make a mistake at a young age and spend the rest of their lives being labeled a sex offender," she said. "He is not a sexual offender."

---- End of article

By WALTER ALARKON

Monitor staff

This article is: 13 days old.





Article published Mar 5, 2007 Tilton

Voters asked to restrict sex offenders They couldn't live near schools or parks Send to friend

By LAUREN R. DORGAN Monitor staff

Mar 5, 2007

Tilton residents will be asked at town meeting next week to vote on where registered sex offenders can live in their town.

An article on the warrant would forbid sex offenders who have been convicted of crimes against children from moving within 2,500 feet of a school, daycare or other "child-oriented organizations," including recreational areas. Sex offenders who already live within those bounds would be allowed to stay in their homes.

Selectman Tom Cavanaugh said he decided to do something after visiting a website, familywatchdog.us, which maps where sex offenders live.

"I noticed that there were several sexual predators, convicted sexual predators, living not far away from schools," he said. "It was disturbing, and I brought it up at a meeting."

Cavanaugh said police officers researched what the town could do and suggested a beefed-up version of a proposed state law. That bill, currently under consideration in the Legislature, would ban sex offenders who assaulted minors from moving within 1,000 feet of schools, parks and other "child-oriented organizations."

Eight child sex offenders live in Tilton now, according to a registry maintained by the state police. Seven live in the nearby town of Northfield and 29 in Franklin.

No one has mapped exactly where sex offenders could live under Tilton's proposed restrictions, said Town Administrator Bob Veloski.

There are three schools and at least two daycares in Tilton, as well as a handful of parks. Most of these "off-limits" areas are concentrated in downtown and West Tilton.

Tilton's proposed ordinance is closely based on a year-old city ordinance in Dover, which has a 2,500-foot requirement. But Dover's law is more tightly defined, restricting only schools and day cares and not other "child-oriented organizations."

"This far, at least for the city of Dover, it seems to be effective," Interim Police Chief Tony Colarusso said.

In the past year, six convicted sex offenders have tried to register addresses within Dover's restricted zones, Colarusso said. Five of them have relocated without incident, and the sixth one has moved to challenge the law in Dover District Court in a case that's still pending.

Colarusso said that before the ordinance was enacted, the police department had researched similar laws in other states and found that there had been no successful legal challenges. The city's attorney had also reviewed it, he said.

The ordinance may have a toll on neighboring towns: The five offenders who moved chose to leave Dover altogether, Colarusso said.

"Because of the number of schools and day cares we have in Dover, it's pretty limited where they can live in Dover... to the point where the five people have moved out of town," Colarusso said.

Critics of "buffer zones" for sex offenders argue that they cause more problems than they prevent. In December, the Iowa County Attorneys Association released a statement opposing that state's 2,000-foot restricted zones, saying they sapped police resources, caused offenders to become transient and fought only the "rare" phenomenon of sex crimes by strangers.

"In fact, 80 to 90 percent of sex crimes against children are committed by a relative or acquaintance who has some prior relationship with the child and access to the child that is not impeded by residency restrictions," the prosecutors wrote. "Only parents and caretakers can effectively impede that kind of access."

But others argue it makes sense to keep offenders as far from as many children as possible. They point to recidivism rates, including a 1994 study that found that 5 percent of all sex offenders were arrested for another sex crime within three years of release.

"I'm not saying that every single person that has offended will offend again, but you want to protect your kids," said Cavanaugh, who said he'd heard no opposition to Tilton's proposal.

Colarusso said he'd heard the criticisms.

"It's something that's controversial because some people don't feel it's effective," he said. "But one thing it does do is it brings out the problem with sex offenders.",

---- End of article

By LAUREN R. DORGAN

Monitor staff

This article is: 140 days old.





July 6, 2007

Alderman Ed Osborne Traffic Committee City of Manchester City Hall Manchester NH 03101

Dear Alderman Osborne and members of the committee:

As you may be aware West Merrimack St in Downtown has become primarily residential Condominitims in the Historic District (HiDi). In keeping with the City's goal to create owner occupied housing and to promote this evolution the new owners of West Merrimack St wish to inaugurate a Street block party event on September 8, 2007, noon to 5pm. The event will coincide with the Bel Espirit and Art in The Park events the same day and will be connected by Trolley. Also, that day is an unrelated 2 show performance at the Verizon Arena. The West Merrimack St affair is designed to promote continued development of residential living in downtown and foster an atmosphere of neighborhood amongst the new residents here. We will celebrate the diversity of downtown living.

We hereby request that from the hours of 9am to 5pm on Sept 8th That West Merrimack St be blocked off from Canal St east to 65 West Merrimack St for the event. We also would like no parking signs affixed to the meters during the event.

Enclosed please find a tentative schedule of attractions for that day.

Our event will be in conjunction with either the Manchester Historical Society or Intown Manchester and is not designed to be a money making venue other than for the individual participants and The Manchester Historic Society.

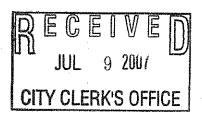
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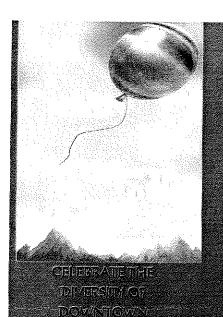
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Kas-Bar Realty organizer and resident of HiDi

Cc:Lt Hopkins





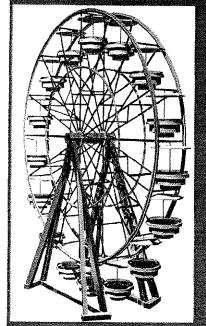
WEST MERRIMACK STREET PAIR September 8- 2007 12-5 pm Tentative Schedule of Events Farmers Market 12-5pm Middle Eastern Market 12-5pm Book sale to benefit Hillsborough County Janil 12-5

Radio Station DJ 12-5pm

Resident Yard and Aminques Sale 12-5pm
Our Event will be a block Party from Franklin St
to Camal St

and will coincide with the Bel Espirit Festival and Art in the Park connected by Trolley





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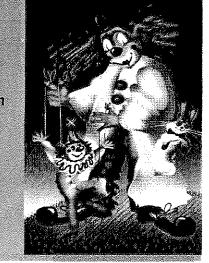
Interior Design and cooking demo sponsored by Boyer Interior Design 12-2pm

Raffle Trip Spain and Morocco and Interior Spaces walking tour given by the

Manchester Historic Society 12-4pm
Live Camel 12:30-2:30 sponsored by Kas-Bar Realty
Pet Show sponsored by PetCO 1-3pm
Recycling Demo 1-3pm
Character Artist 1-3pm
Manchester Monarchs/Fishercat signings 1:30-2:30pm
Magic by Tyler 2-3pm

Foot Massage and Aragon products 2-4pm
Live pony 2:30-4:00pm Sponsored by Kas-Bar Realty
Stand up comedy David Basnow 3-4pm
"Drag" Races Sponsored by Element Lounge 3-4pm





Janeen Ramos 276 Summer St, Apt 1 Manchester NH 03101

Mayor,	John A. Jaskolka
Honorable Frank C. Guinta	Chief of Police
City of Manchester	The Manchester Police Department
One <u>City Hall</u> Plaza	351 Chestnut Street
Manchester, NH 03101	Manchester, NH 03101
Ed Osborne 465 Cedar Street	
Manchester, NH 03103	
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Dear Gentlemen,

I am writing to you in efforts to save myself time and frustration from recent events around Sheridan Emmet Park. I live at and own 276 Summer Street. From two sides of my house I see the park. **EVERYTHING!** The kids smoking pot, the adults who do not abide the parking regulations to watch there children play organized sports or the adults who themselves come to play.

The signs outside the park say that the park closes at dusk or 9 pm., whichever it is the kids sit at the entrance to the park, which is outside my bedroom window. I have called the police and I have told and described these kids to the police. And noting happens. There is graffiti on my building, garbage thrown on my lawn and in front of my house. In addition, let us not forget the little doggies that leave present in front of my garbage.

Folks it takes less than 5 minutes to commit any one of the described acts. That includes the kid who rolls a joint and passes it to all his friends. They will not be there 45 minutes later when an officer arrives.

Please understand that I am not an unreasonable person. I know that the Manchester Police department do there best to take care of this City. However, with that being said. DO we want the streets of Manchester to become what it was 20 years ago?

A small story for you. My husband and I were both raised in NY. He from Brooklyn and myself from Queens. We were kids of the streets. My husband more so than I ever. We left NY in 1998 after visiting family on the North side. Still being young adults ourselves a very big step to pick up and move here. With the help of Manchester, we were able to

get education, buy a home, and start a business. We have made mistakes along the way and we have paid for them. However the streets of Manchester no longer resembles the beautiful community we choose, rather reminds us of the life we left behind. This is not the world I want my children to live in. Ok story done I just wanted you to understand some frustration I feel.

I truly believe that after the many heartbreaking event that have taken place in the inner part of Manchester and the fact that Beech Street School uses this park to play during the school year. There would be more attention given to it. How can I allow my children to play in a park that has a slide that has been burned, to let them find broken bottles and condom wrappers on the ground, and there and bags from pot on the ground. These are things I do not want my children to see or touch.

I have 12 year old that I am afraid to let go play in the park because older kids threaten her. I have a 5 year old and a 2 year old who want to play and broken equipment.

My suggestion, higher police presence would help tremendously. I have seen the cops drive past and stop and look in on an irregular basis. I rarely see them get out and walk the park. Meet the kids who are there and make themselves known. I do not know the officers assigned to this area. The only time officers walk the park is because they are there because of an incident. I believe these simple acts on would reduce the rowdiness of the teenagers and bring respect to the park of the kids and adults.

I must say one thing more, the parents of these kids need to take more responsibility for there kids. They need to stand up to there kids and tell them NO. The kids in Manchester 10 years ago were a lot more respectful that they are today and it is the parent's who need to instill it. So you can see, I know that it is not just the obligation of your departments stop fight these rising problems. Just a helping hand to meet these people and maybe push it along with a strong presence.

Thank you for your time, continued good work, and leadership of this city,

Jan Ramos
276 Summer St
Manchester MH



CITY OF MANCHESTER

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Janeen Ramos 276 Summer Street, Apt. 1 Manchester, NH 03101

August 20, 2007

Patricia Piecuch Deputy Clerk Financial Administration

Alderman Osborne has requested your letter of August 15 be placed on the Committee on Public Safety, Health and Traffic Committee's agenda of September 4th. The meeting is scheduled at 4:30 PM. The Police Department has been requested to attend and address the concerns expressed in you communication.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Carol A. Johnson

Deputy City Clerk

C: Alderman Osborne, Committee Chairman



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July 16, 2007

Committee on Public Safety, Health and Traffic One City Hall Plaza Manchester, New Hampshire 03101

Re: Installation of nonstandard M.U.T.C.D. signage

Gentlemen:

As you are aware, the Traffic Division has installed several nonstandard traffic signs in the city over the past few years. The City of Manchester has adopted the use of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. Although we have made a good attempt to stick to the recommendations of the Manual, there are times when we have made our own revisions as the need was suited. We have received a request to place some nonstandard signage ("SMILE – YOU COULD BE ON CAMERA") at the intersection of Maple Street and Spruce Street.

The purpose of this communication is to two-fold. We need clarification from the City Solicitor to advise us of any liability issues and secondly to receive direction from this Committee in the installation of this type signage.

We look forward to discussing the issues and receiving your directive.

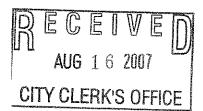
Sincerely,

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James P. Hoben

Deputy Traffic Director

cc: Frank Thomas, PE Kevin Sheppard, PE



CITY OF MANCHESTER

PARKING DIVISION





Brandy Stanley Parking Manager bstanley@manchesternh.gov

August 28, 2007

Alderman Ed Osborne Chairman, Committee on Public Safety, Health and Traffic One City Hall Plaza Manchester, NH 03101

Re: Parking for Manchester Police Department Volunteers

Dear Chairman Osborne:

Recently the police department contacted me to discuss parking options for volunteers working at the police station. These citizens are donating their time to assist the police department in order to increase efficiency and save taxpayer dollars. There are a total of 4 volunteers that each work 4-6 hours at a time 2-3 days per week.

The city currently allows volunteers to park free of charge on the streets as follows as approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

- 1) <u>Visitor's Center on Merrimack and Elm</u> There are two parking spaces reserved for Visitor's Center volunteers on Merrimack Street. The center is staffed by Granite State Ambassadors through the Chamber of Commerce.
- 2) <u>City Hall Information Booth</u> The volunteers staffing this booth are given passes to display on their dashboards (example attached) which are valid on the streets surrounding City Hall.

The Parking Division and the Manchester Police Department respectfully request that the committee consider allowing police department volunteers to park on the street at 10 hour meters free of charge while they are volunteering at the station. They will be issued a pass to be displayed on their dashboards much like the attached example currently in use.



Please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Deputy Chief Marc Lussier should you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Brandy Stanley Parking Manager

CC: Committee Members
Dep. Chief Lussier

CITY HALL INFO BOOTH

PARKING PERMIT



City of Manchester



CITY OF MANCHESTER Board of Aldermen



IN BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN

DATE: November 28, 2006

ON MOTION OF ALD. Shea

MEMORANDUM

SECONDED BY ALD. P

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refer to the Committee on VOTED TO Public Safety and Traffic.

To:

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

From:

Alderman Shea

Date:

November 28, 2006

Re:

Establishment of a Manchester Crime Prevention Committee

My purpose in proposing the establishment of such a committee would be to examine the causes for increases in serious crimes in Manchester and I am recommending that members of the committee include the following:

- a) Manchester Police Chief (Chairman):
- b) a representative of the NH State Police;
- c) a representative of the Sheriff's Department;
- d) a representative of the Manchester Police Commission:
- e) a representative of the DEA (research purposes);
- f) a representative of the FBI (research purposes);
- g) Chairman of the Board of Aldermen;
- h) a representative of the Office of Youth Services;
- i) a representative of the Mayor's office; and
- j) utilization of local colleges for research purposes.

The committee would be in conjunction with the Mayor's action plan for neighborhood improvements and predicated upon the Manchester Refugee Resettlement Advisory Committee report submitted in May 2006.

Upon conclusion a report would be submitted to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for their review no later than March 2007.

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LeBlond-Kang, Paula

From:

Hoben, James

Sent:

Thursday, March 29, 2007 10:42 AM

To:

LeBlond-Kang, Paula

Subject:

FW: Contact The City Of Manchester NH Online

Please place on next Traffic agenda.

----Original Message---From: Boutilier, Denise

Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2007 10:33 AM

To: Hoben, James

Subject: FW: Contact The City Of Manchester NH Online

----Original Message----

From: webmaster

Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2007 10:30 AM

To: Boutilier, Denise

Subject: FW: Contact The City Of Manchester NH Online

Denise,

Is this an email your department can address?

Rick

----Original Message----

From: drakoulakosj@nashua.edu [mailto:drakoulakosj@nashua.edu]

Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2007 9:49 AM

To: webmaster

Subject: Contact The City Of Manchester NH Online

Name: Jennifer Drakoulakos

Address: 59 A St City: Manchester State: New Hampshire

Zip: 03102

Email: drakoulakosj@nashua.edu

Message: I'm not sure who would take care of this, but we are having a parking problem on A St. The VNA Childcare is located at the end of our street. They do not provide parking for their employees. So, they take up all the available parking on A St. This is causing a problem. We have limited parking as it is. A No Parking/Loading Zone was thankfully created across from my house or I wouldn't be able to get in or out of my driveway. We have a multi-handicapped child in a wheelchair. My next door neighbor has a no parking area in front of their driveway or they wouldn't be able to get in or out of their driveway. We can only park on one side of the street. Maybe our street could be made into sticker parking only & enforced. Also, the parents drive so fast down our street. We have a at least 15-20 kids out playing & someone's going to get hurt or killed. Can't speed bumps be placed so we can protect our kids at play?

Now we have a CVS being built across the street which is going to cause even greater traffic flow for our area which also doesn't have sidewalks for safety.

Thank you for your time in reading this.

Jennifer Drakoulakos

59 A St

Manchester, NH 03102

(603) 647-4064



John A. Jaskolka Chief

City of Manchester **Police Department**

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June 8, 2007

To

: Traffic and Public Safety Committee

Attn : Alderman Roy

From : Deputy Chief Marc P Lussier

Re : Tasers and priorities

Sirs.

At the May 15, 2007 Traffic and Public Safety Committee meeting, Alderman Roy asked for a report on Tasers. I had hoped to respond to this request at the most recent meeting on June 5, however time was against me and prevailed, so I would like to take this opportunity to brief you on the Taser issue.

Police Officers have many tools at their disposal to address a variety of issues. As they progress through the force continuum, available options may include their mere presence, verbal commands, empty handed techniques, OC spray, the expandable baton, and if the circumstances dictate, their firearm. In recent years the Taser has been identified as another useful tool for many officers throughout the country. As was the case when OC became popular, some of these new tools do not come without controversy. This was case with the Taser, and for this reason, as well as for financial reasons, the Manchester Police Department chose not to add the Taser to our issued equipment list.

The Taser is now a widely used tool by law enforcement professional across the country. Recently Officers Boudreau and Gilcreast of the Manchester Police Department attended training on Tasers to become Instructors. After that training they were tasked with developing a presentation for the Chief and Deputies identifying all issues regarding the Taser. The purpose of this presentation was simply to update the Administration on the Taser so we could determine whether or not the Manchester Police Department was interested in exploring the Taser as a possible addition to the list of tools we make available to our officers.

The Chief and Deputies feel that the Taser is in fact a valuable tool for our officers, however at this time it is not within our budget, and is not at the top of our priorities list. As you will see from the attached, the initial cost of bringing Tasers to the Manchester Police Department is over \$325,000, with an approximate \$38,000 yearly cost thereafter.



A NATIONALLY ACCREDITED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

In regards to the inquiry about our priorities, it is much more important to us to identify funding to replace our portable radios. Approximately 10 years ago the Manchester Police Department purchased new portable radios. The average life expectancy of these radios is 5-7 years. Today, as problems with the radios increase, we need to initiate a replacement plan. We currently have approximately 260 radios and it cost just shy of \$3,300 to outfit an officer with a new radio (holder, microphone, charger, etc). With our most recent request to CIP we asked for \$175,000 to begin replacing our radios in increments; approximately 50 radios in the first cycle. That request was denied.

Police radios were at the top of our list in our request to CIP. There was also a request for \$50,000 for an off site evidence storage area and \$300,000 for a study to explore a building expansion. The Weed and Seed Program, which is not just a Police Department project, but rather a city wide initiative, also requested \$175,000.

I hope this answers your questions. If you have further questions, or would like to discuss this further, please don't hesitate to call.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marc P. Lussier

Deputy Chief of Police

Taser Costs:

X26 - \$810 ea Battery \$30 ea. 4 yr warranty \$175 ea Cartridge \$20 ea. Holster \$70 ea.

Cost to outfit and officer - \$1,105

235 units	\$190,350
235 batteries	\$7,050
235 warranties	\$41,125
470 cartridges	\$9,400
Training OT	\$64,800
225 holsters	\$15,750
Total	\$328,475

Annual costs:

Batteries	\$7,050
Cartridges	\$9,400
Re-cert OT	\$21,600
Total	\$38,050